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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit an Information Disclosure Statement which includes a completed Form PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, however, before either the mailing date of a Final Office Action or the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance and, therefore, a check in the amount of \$240 is enclosed.

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Each reference identified on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 was cited in the International Search Report for the PCT application corresponding to the above-identified United States patent application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

Attached to each of Netherlands Patent No. 8,702,068 and French Patent No. 2,659,534 is a single-page English-language abstract from the DIALOG database.

German Patent No. DE-A-811095 is directed to a pivoting blade (2) pivotally mounted upon a base (1).

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. One original and two copies of this Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed.

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